ALABAMA BOARDS OF REGISTRARS LEGISLATION TASK FORCE Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2016

Call to order

Secretary Merrill called to order the meeting of the Alabama Boards of Registrars Legislative Task force at 10:30 a.m. on November 16, 2016 in the Milo Howard Auditorium of the Alabama Department of Archives and History.

Roll call and Acknowledgement of Notification of Meeting

Secretary Merrill informed the Task Force that the meeting notice was published online on the Alabama Secretary of State website, and therefore, was properly noticed per the Alabama Open Meetings Act. Secretary Merrill initiated a roll call by asking Clay Helms to call roll for the group. Members present were Alan Baker, Sammy Glover, Lynda Hairston, Brian Hardin, Drucilla Jackson, Albert Lipscomb, Tiffany McCord, John Merrill, and Ronda Walker. Ex officio members present were Hope Curry, Will Edwards, Clay Helms, Ed Packard and Cindy Wright. Guests present were Morgan Arrington, Chase Cobb and Robert Montjoy.

Review of Agenda and Minutes from previous meeting

Secretary Merrill asked the task force to review the agenda for the present meeting and the minutes for the meeting held on October 18, 2016. Ronda Walker motioned to approve the minutes and a second was given by Hope Curry. The Task Force voted all in favor and approved the minutes.

Old Business

The appointment process handout prepared from the October 18, 2016 meeting was discussed in further detail.

New Business

The Task Force discussed possible changes to the structure of the appointment and removal process, compared local legislation in specific counties, compared job descriptions for similar state positions, reviewed the appointment process for certain state organizations and compared population and voter registration statistics by county. The task force emphasized a need for diversity in the appointment of registrars. Election day issues in the registrar's office from the 2016 General Election were also discussed.

Submitted by: Clay Helms

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